HARTNELL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 13:15

Dustin Lance Black as a
Distinguished Alumnus for the California Community Colleges 2013

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, recognized as Distinguished Alumni 2013 by the Community College League of California in San Francisco, CA on November 23, 2013, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, is one of 200 outstanding citizens who have been honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award since 1964, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, is a distinguished Hartnell Community College Alumnus, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, is an accomplished screenwriter, director, and producer, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, received the Distinguished Alumni Award for his work behind the scenes in Hollywood and for his social activism towards human rights and fairness, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, has received numerous awards including the Academy Award for Best Original Screenplay for MILK, the biopic of the late civil rights activist Harvey Milk starring Sean Penn, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, in 2004, signed as writer and co-producer on HBO’s Emmy and Golden Globe nominated polygamist drama BIG LOVE, where he drew on from his own Mormon childhood experiences, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, in 2011 earned his second “10 Best of the Year” award from the American Film Institute for J. EDGAR, directed by Clint Eastwood and starring Leonardo DiCaprio, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, creates an original production of the new play “8” based on the Federal Prop. 8 trial, and thus play was featured at Hartnell College’s Western Stage in 2012, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, is a founding board member of the American Foundation for Equal Rights (AFER), which led the Federal Case against Prop. 8 in California, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, is a light of inspiration to the youth and community at large, and

WHEREAS, Dustin Lance Black, receives the prestigious California Community College Distinguished Alumni Award for being an individual who inspires movement, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Hartnell Community College District commends Dustin Lance Black for his accomplishments in theater arts, film, writing, and for his community service and activism.